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CENTENNIAL STAMPS OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

BY ANDREW HONISON, M. B., J. P.

ON January 26, 1888, New South Wales completed her one hundredth birthday. For the celebration of this, various proposals were submitted to the government of the colony. Most of these were rejected; and of those accepted, the only one of interest to philatelists generally is the issue of a new series of stamps for the colony. On August 5th, a deputation from the Philatelic Society of Australia, consisting of the President, (Archdeacon King), the Vice-President, (Mr. Thos. Rogh), the Secretary, Mr. F. Hagen, and Dr. Honison waited upon the Premier, Sir Henry Parkes, to recommend that a new issue of stamps should form an item in the programme for the celebration of the centenary of the colony. Sir Henry Parkes informed them that he would represent what they had said to him to the other members of the government.

The cabinet met the same afternoon to consider the above proposal, and decided to have enquiry made as to the cost of new dies.

This enquiry seems to have proved satisfactory, as the following notice appeared in Government Gazette of November 16:

GENERAL P. O.,
SYDNEY, 15TH NOV., 1887.

Designs for new Postage Stamps.

"Designs will be received at this office until noon on Tuesday, the 6th December, for *Eight New Postage Stamps* intended to be commemorative of the one hundredth anniversary of the foundation of the colony.

"The designs must be drawn in black and white, to a scroll four times the size of the present penny postage stamp, a distinct design will be required for each of the following denominatives, viz:

One Penny,	Eight Pence,
Two Pence,	One Shilling,
Four Pence	Five Shillings,
Six Pence,	Twenty Shillings.

"The value of each stamp must be expressed in words, and the words 'New South Wales Postage' and 'One Hundred Years' to be common to all.

"Tenderers may submit designs for one or the whole.

"A premium of £10 10s. will be given for the best design for each denomination, and £3 3s for the second best.

"The designs for which premiums are given to become the property of the government; those that have not obtained prizes will be returned to the owners.

"The designs are to be addressed to the Secretary, General P. O., Sydney, from whom any further information can be obtained.

"Each design to be marked on the right hand lower corner with some distinctive sign or motto, and the name and address of the tenderer enclosed in a sealed cover, (marked with the same sign or motto) to accompany the design, which cover will not be opened until the selection has been made."

CHARLES J. ROBERTS.

On December 12th, by the courtesy of the Premier, a deputation from the Philatelic Society had the privilege of inspecting the designs submitted, and offering an opinion as to the most suitable for the purpose. No less than 856 designs were sent in by 250 competitors. The great majority of these were of the roughest nature, but about 100 were really splendid works of art.

To describe them all would occupy too much space. I must therefore content myself with the prize designs.

I shall first take the winners of the

FIRST PRIZES.

One Penny.—A beautifully executed view of Sydney from Mossman's By. By M. Tarmenburg.

Two Pence.—A portrait of the present Governor Lord Carrington, under an arch inscribed *New South Wales Postage*, supported by columns bearing the words *Two Pence*, and resting on a basement having *One Hundred Years* on its front. By Miss Devine.

Four Pence.—A portrait of Captain Cook in medallion frame, surrounded by *New South Wales Postage*, on the great navigator's breast is the colonial coat of arms, and underneath are the words *Four Pence*, supported by an emu and a kangaroo. By Mr. H. A Barraclough.

Six Pence.—A medallion portrait of Her Majesty imperially crowned, flanked by the starry southern cross, and supported by the words *New South Wales Postage* over the colony's coat of arms on a shield, with the inscription *One Hundred Years*, and *Six Pence* in large letters. By M. Tarmenberg.

Eight Pence.—A medallion portrait of Her Majesty wearing the Imperial crown, flanked by groups of native roses, and resting on a scroll, with the words *New South Wales Postage*, immediately beneath which is a view of Sydney, and *One Hundred Years* on a ribbon-like label, at the foot of the whole the value in large letters, *Eight Pence* By M. Tarmenberg.

One Shilling.—A representation of the statute of Captain Cook in Hyde Park, Sydney, surrounded by native floral emblems under an arch, bearing the inscription *One Hundred Years—New South Wales Postage—One Shilling.* By Mr. C. Turner.

Five Shillings.—A beautifully drawn minature map of Australia in octagonal frame, on which is inscribed *New South Wales Postage—Five Shillings.* By Mr. C. Turner.

Twenty Shillings.—A very handsome design, including medallion portraits of Governor Phillips and Lord Carrington, as our first and latest governors, embedded in masses of native flowers. By Mrs. F. W. Stottart.

SECOND PRIZES.

One Penny.—A neat design including Capt. Cook's portrait. By Miss Devine.

Two Pence.—Coat of arms of colony on a shield surrounded by a scroll bearing the necessary lettering. By M. Tarmenberg.

Four Pence.—Medallion portrait of Queen wearing the Imperial crown, supported by a scroll bearing the words *New South Wales Postage*, and underneath this two exquisitively drawn medallions, one showing a lyre bird standing near a waterfall, and the other Capt. Cook's ship the Endeavour, beating into Botamy Bay. By M. Tarmenberg.

Six Pence.—This design is strikingly original and tasteful. It represents an allegorical female attired in flowing classical robes, bearing a banner inscribed *One Hundred Years*. She is represented standing on a high cliff, and looking out towards the South Head of Port Jackson, the lighthouse on which glows like a star in the distance. By Miss Devine.

One Shilling.—An imperial crown, with a sunburst radiating from it, resting on a scroll, bearing the words *New South Wales Postage*, below which the coat of arms of the colony is shewn in a diamond-shaped space, surrounded by a jewel studded border, resting on a semicircular label which bears *One Hundred Years*; at the foot of the stamp are the words *One Shilling*. By M. Tarmenberg.

Five Shillings—An imperial crown resting on a label bearing the words *New South Wales Postage*, immediately underneath which is a medallion portrait of the Queen imperially crowned, traversed diagonally by a ribbon bearing the words *One Hundred Years*, and resting on a label with *Five Shillings* upon it. By M. Tarmenberg.

Twenty Shillings.—An artistic design but not calling for special notice. By Mr. C. Turner.

From the brief and imperfect descriptions I have given of these stamps, it will be seen that the whole of the prize designs are very fine, and if well engraved should secure for New South Wales the finest set of stamps in the world. It is the intention of the authorities to have those designs photographed, so that very shortly philatelists abroad may have a better opportunity of judging of their merits.

Two proposals are now being considered with reference to the engraving of the designs—that of sending them to some firm of eminence, such as the American Bank Note Co., or importing a first-class man to engrave them on the spot. They will be made into plates by the electrotype process as the requirements of the colony are now so great (in the year 1886 the number of 1d. and 2d. labels printed was 46,800,000) that steel plates would be of little service, requiring renewal so often, and the cost of reproduction being so much greater than that of the electrotypes.—*Philatelic Record.*

THE STAMPS OF MEXICO.

IN order to have a thorough comprehension of the many stamps of the country and their surcharges, it is absolutely necessary to have an idea of its geographical divisions.

In 1856, the date of the first issue of stamps, it was divided into 18 states, 4 territeries, and one fedral district In the issuing of the supplies of stamps to each city, the name of the city was printed over each stamp, but this was done to the larger places only. The following are the names of the states and territories in Mexico to which surcharges were sent. (The names of the cities only being printed.)

States and Territories.	*Cities.*
Aguas Calientes.	Aguas Calientes.
Basse Californie.	La Paz.
Campeche.	Campeche.
	Isla del Carmen.
Chiapas.	Chiapas.
Chihuahua.	Chihuahua.
	Ciudad Bravos.
	Hidalgo del Parral.
Coahuila.	Saltillo.
Colima.	Colima.
Durango.	Durango.
Guanajuato.	Guanajuato.
Guerrero.	Yguala.
	Tixtla.
	Acapulco.
Hidalgo.	Pachuca.
	Tula.
	Huejutla.
	Tulancingo.
	Apam.
Jalisco.	Guadalajara.
	Tepic.
	Lagos.
	Cocula.
	Barca.
	Mascota.
	Ciudad-Guzman.
Mexico.	Mexico.
	Jilotepec.
	Otumba.
	Cuautitlan.
	Texcoco.
	Ixtlahuaca.
	Toluca.
	Lerma.
	Tacubaya.

Mexico.	Chalco.
	Temas Caltepec.
	Sultepec.
Michoacan.	Morelia.
	Zamora.
	Maravatio.
	Tlapujahua.
Morelos.	Cuernavaca.
Nuevo-Leon	Monterrey.
Oaxaca.	Oajaca ou Oaxaca.
Puebla.	Puebla.
	Tepeji.
	Tehuacan.
Queretaro.	Queretaro.
San Luis Potosi.	San Luis Potosi.
Sinaloa.	Mazatlan.
Sonora.	Ures.
	Guaymas.
	Himeosillo.
Tabasco.	Tabasco.
Tmaulipas.	Ciudad Victoria.
	Matamoros.
	Tula de Tamaulipas.
	Tampico.
Tlaxcala	Tlaxcala.
Vera-Cruz.	Jalapa.
	Tuxpan.
	Vera-Cruz.
	Corboba ou Cordova.
	Orizava.
Yucatan.	Merida.
Zacatecas.	Zacatecas.

The system of surcharging may be divided into three periods, viz. :—

1st period—from 1856 to 1864, the only surcharge on the stamp being the name of the city where it belonged.

2nd period—from 1864 to 1868, the surcharge consisting of the name and date.

3rd period—from 1872 to 1883, the surcharge being the name, number and date—the numbers on the last surcharge appear to run alphabetically.

After the 1880 issue came out, the system of surcharging was completely done away with.—July 1856—Head of Cure Hidalgo in oval face turned slightly to left "Correos Mejico" above value beneath—unperforated.

½ Real Blue.	4 Reales Red.
1 " Yellow.	8 " Claret.
2 Reales Green.	

Those are found without surcharge.

The following are the names of cities which will be found on those stamps.

Acapulco.
Apam (sur. Black, Blue.)
C. Bravos.
Campeche (sur. Black, Red.)
Cuautitlan.
Chalco.
Chiapas (sur. Black, Red.)
Chihuahua.
Cordova.
Cuernavaca.
Durango.
Guadalajara.
Guanajuato.
Himeosillo.
Huejutla.
Ixtlahuaca.
Jalapa—Lagos Lerma.
Maravatio.
Mazatlan.
Merida.
Mexico—(4 types.)
Monterrey.
Morelia.
Oajaca.
Orizava.
Pachuca (sur. Black, red.)
Puebla.
Queretaro.
Saltillo.
S. L. Potosi.
Soyanaquilpan.
Sultepec.
Tabasco.
Tampico.
Temas Caltepec.
Tixtla Guerero.
Tlalpujahua.
Toluca.
Tula.
Tulacingo.
Vera Cruz.
Victoria.
Yguala.
Zacatecas (3 types.)

All surcharges are in black—when they have been printed in other colors they are always mentioned.

January 1861. This issue is from the same plates as the first, but is printed in different colors :—

½ real—brown.
1 " black on green.
2 reales—rose.
4 " yellow.
4 reales—red on yellow.
8 " brown.
8 " green or brown.

The surcharges of this issue are the same as the preceding, with very few exceptions, which are adding,

Aguascaltes.
Aguascalientes.
Colima.
I del Carmen.

And omitting :—

C. Bravos.
Cuautitlan.
Chiapas.
Himeosillo.
Huejutla.
Temas Caltepec.
Yguala.

In 1864 a new issue took place—the design was somewhat similar to the preceding ones, but very finely engraved and perforated :—

1 real—red.
2 reales—blue.
4 reales—brown.
1 piso—black.

Only two surcharges on this issue are known, viz. :—

Monterrey.
Saltillo.

In the same year the first stamps of the short lived Mexican Empire were issued. The design consisting of an imperially crown eagle perched on a nopal, enclosed in an oval frame, unperforated, the issues were :—

3 centavos—brown.	2 reales—yellow.
½ real—lilac.	4 " green.
1 " blue (light and dark.)	8 " red.

(To save a wearisome repetition of the names of the surcharges, we will take the first lists given for the 1856 issue and give the additions or omissions from it only.)

With this emission the date was added to the surcharge. Of this issue there are three varieties of surcharges, viz. :—

With date only.
With name and date.
With name and date in small type.

There are no differences in the names of the cities, taking them as a whole, but there are not complete sets of cities in either one of the three varieties of surcharges.

In 1866 the second issue of the empire, with the head of Maxmilian, in oval, came out, inscription at top "Imperio Mexicano," unperforated, of those stamps there are two varieties, one set engraved, the other lithographed. The values were :—

7 cent—purple.	25 cent—orange.
13 " blue.	50 " green.

In 1867 the stamps of the Republic of Mexico again came into use. They were of the same type as the first issue in 1856, and are, from the shortness of time they were in use, very rare, there values were :—

½ real—black on grey.	2 reales—green on blue.
½ " green on grey.	4 " red on white.
1 " blue.	4 " red on lilac.
1 " black on green.	8 " black on brown.
1 reales—black on pink.	8 " green on brown.

In 1868 another new issue was brought out, with head of Juarez, the design being a full face in circle. Mexico at top, value at bottom, perforated. The values of those stamps were are follows :—

6 cents—light brown.	50 cents—yellow.
12 " green.	100 " brown.
25 " blue on pink.	

With those last issues the system of surcharging is changed—it now consists of name, date, and number, the numbers commencing with the head office which is Mexico—the surcharges are :—

(To be continued.)

THE NEW PARCEL POST.

WASHINGTON, January 26.—The president to-day approved the postal convention recently concluded between the United States and Canada. By this convention, articles of every kind or nature which are admitted to the domestic mails of either country will be abmitted to the same rates of postage, and under the same conditions and classifications to the mails exchanged between the two countries except that articles other than letters in their usual and ordinary form are excluded from the mails unless they are so wrapped or enclosed as to permit their contents to be easily examined by post-masters or customs officers. All articles exchanged under this agreement are required to be fully prepaid at the rate of postage applicable to similiar articles in the domestic mails of the country of origin. Articles other than letters in their usual and ordinary form, on their arrival at the exchange post office of the country of destination, will be inspected by customs officers of that country who will levy the proper customs duties upon any article found to be dutiable under the law of that country. The transmission of the following named articles is absolutely prohibited. Sealed packages which from their form and general appearance are not letters, and are not wrapped or enclosed as above required; publications which violate the copyright laws of the country of destination; packets, except single volumes of printed books which exceed four pounds six ounces in weight; liquids, poisons, explosives or inflammable substances, fatty substances, or those which easily liquify; live or dead (not dried) animals, insects and reptiles; confections, pastes fruits and vegetables, which exhale a bad odor; lottery tickets or circulars; all obscene or immoral articles and other articles which may destroy or damage the mails or injure persons handling them. This convention goes into effect March 1, 1888.

A WASHINGTON correspondent tells an amusing story about a letter received at the postmaster-general's office, enclosing a two-cent stamp, with an explanatory note setting forth that the writer had been tempted to make use of a stamp which had not been properly cancelled, and becoming conscience smitten, had taken this mode of reparation. There is a fund in the treasury department into which "conscience money" can be paid, but there was no precedent to show how a postage stamp sent in under such circumstances should be disposed of, and the officials were correspondingly embarrassed. Finally a record was made of the fact in the book of letters received in the postmaster-general's office. The letter was then endorsed by the chief clerk and sent to the third assistant postmaster-general. When it reached that official it was transferred, after due consideration, to the finance division. Another entry was here formally made of letters received, and the letter was then placed in the hands of the chief of the division, who pasted the stamp on the letter, drew his pen through it and wrote the word "cancelled" underneath. He then affixed his signature which was witnessed by one of the clerks, who also signed his name. The letter was then carefully filed away for future reference.

A PHILATELIC SERMON.

"ALL seemed to be well satisfied with the result." Words taken from the *Eastern Philatelist*, Vol. I., No. 3, page 6. We are told in the Gospel of Canadensis that all seemed to be well satisfied with the result, and in order to bring this glorious sentence before our readers in a plain and natural light, we will ask your kind attention for the time occupied in explaining the meaning of this, In order to keep up to the times it was found necessary to start a Society composed of Canadian Philatelists which would be of benefit to Canadians and a lasting monument for the world to come, and consequently we find in the latter part of 1887 our cherished hopes about to be accomplished. Names after names rolled in from all parts of the Dominion, (except Toronto) the same names being published until we reached the number of 68, and since when we were left in blissful ignorance as to how matters stood. In the middle of January each member received a ballot paper with the request of returning same at earliest convenience as the poll would close on the last day of January. In accordance with above request, we presume, all were anxious to comply with same and had their paper properly made out and sent along to the headquarters, awaiting the result, when to our great astonishment we received the *Eastern Philatelist* conveying to us the result of said election. Could we believe our eyes? Had the Executive Committee so far allowed their indiscretion to get the better of themselves as to be guilty of the breach of faith with which they had been vested as to allow an outside Journal to carry the first official news and thus ignoring the chosen official organ? This is simply preposterous. In the contest for the official organ the *Toronto Journal* seemed to have been the choice, and although we are perfectly contented with our lot we are by no means "satisfied with the result." We have been led to believe that the poll did not close on the last day of January, but was kept open a few days longer, now if this is correct why was this done? Was it done in order to get somebody "satisfied with the result?" Another thing is this that 96 votes were polled, and as the HALIFAX PHILATELIST only had published the names of 68, we are inclined to be suspicious as to the reason the 28 names were withheld from our information. We have only the best of intentions towards our Toronto contemporary and we wish it every success in its new capacity, but say what we think we must, and this we will say, that it was not by its merit the *Toronto Philatic Journal* became the official organ of the C. P. A., and furthermore, we wish it to be distinctly understood that the principle of the HALIFAX PHILATELIST admits of no chance for cheap side shows in any shape or form. We thank all our supporters for their kind assistance, and for those who voted against us we have only to say that a wrong principle prompted their actions.

WE notice in the February No. of the *Philatelic Journal of America* that Mr. L. S. Morton in an article on "History Dispensing Stamps" makes use of somewhat strong language in reference to England.

In speaking of the South African Republic stamps he says "This Republic began issueing stamps in 1869. In 1877 England stepped in and interfered (I mark well that England only interferes with weak nations, unable to protect themselves from her.)" The sentence in brackets is altogether uncalled for, and it merely shows that there still exists here and there in the United States, people who have still the same unreasoning hatred that their great grandfathers had reason for, but for which they have none. If Mr. Morton had made a search as to the cause of England's interference in the Transvaal he would hardly have written what he did. As for always interfering with only weaker nations than herself, it happens there are not many stronger than she is, so that it generally happens that in her wars she has, that they are petty ones. She has never shown any lack of spirit in interfering with stronger nations, when her policy demands that she should do so, and Mr. Morton would know this if he follows up the history he writes about.

It is to be presumed that the Mexican War of 1849, and the unjustifiable territorial agression which she received from the same was not a strong power interfering with a weak one.

Mr. Morton should look to his own country and her actions before he casts a reflection on another.

NOTES.

IT is not generally known that there are two sizes in the 1 and 3 cent stamped envelopes of Canada.

WE have the February No. of the Toronto Philatelic Journal. This month is devoted to the return of the election for officers to the C. P. A. We hope now that it is the official organ to see it drop its numismatic department, and bring out some really good original articles. And in time it may become nearly as good a paper as the American Philatelist.

The Canadian Government has been giving us a small cut in our postage. It is a reduction of from 5c. for registration to the United States to 2c.; this is an idea the U. S. Government might copy.

IN the February No. of Philatelic Gazette there is a letter in reference to the P. E. I. error. There are only five of those errors in every sheet of 100 stamps, it being the seventh stamp on the 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th and 9th lines. This value is printed in sheets of 100.

IT is more than probable that we shall not be favoured with stamps from Newfoundland very much longer, as it is more than likely that she will enter into the Dominion of Canada. As negotations for that purpose are already on foot, a delegation will leave St. Johns to confer with the Canadian

Government, about the 18th of this month. If it becomes an accomplised fact, it is to be regretted from a philatelic point of view, but otherwise it is to be strongly commended.

THERE is getting to be quite a demand for N. S. bill stamps. Those are very rare, with the exception of two or three values. Those who collect revenues would do well to complete there sets as soon as possible, as every day will see them rarer. In fact at the present moment it is almost impossible to get the 7c., 8c., 50c. and $1.00 stamps, and a matter of impossibility to get the $2 and $3 ones. There was only one lot of those stamps surcharged and sent from Ottawa.

CHRONICLE.

Antioquia.—The 5c. is now red on pale green.

Argentine Republic.—Three new stamps have appeared, one resembling the 1867 issue. 5c. rose; 10c. brown; 15c. orange.

Bavaria.—The current stamps are perforated 15 instead of 12, and it is intended to issue stamps of 30 and 40.

Br. Honduras.—Surcharged stamps have appeared, 2c. on 6d., 3c. on 3d., 10c. on 4d., 20c. on 6d., 50c. on 1sh.

Br. North Borneo.—There is a 5c. grey.

Cuba.—The 2½c. red brown, 10c. blue, 20c. lilac.

Honduras.—The new stamps are to be made by a German dealer, it is said.

Mauritius.—The 6c. card has been surcharged to do duty as 2 cents.

Mexico.—The 4c. is vermillion as well as the 3c. and 10c. already reported.

Montenegro.—Four post cards have been issued; 2 and 2+2n. carmine on buff, and 3n. and 3+3n. black on grey.

New South Wales.—There is a new card, 1d. red, white, 150 × 84mm., without frame.

Persia.—All the envelopes and bands issued by the post office bear a black surcharge. The others were obtained in some way from the printer.

Philippine Islands.—There are new stamps; 1c. green, 5c. slate blue, 6c. brown, 8c. brown.

Santander.—Of the new type there is a 5c. vermilion.

Senegal.—We hear of the 5c. on 30c. and 10c. on 4c.

Tolima.—There are three new stamps, inscribed "Departamento du Tolima." 5c. vermilion, 10c. green, 50c. blue.

United States.—The 30c. brown is out. *We have seen the 2c. envelope of September, 1887, printed in gray, and of a slightly different type from the ordinary one. There are 72 points in the outer rim instead of 67. We believe this to be the first die made, which was rejected by the government. Ten cent envelope, size 9, on white and amber have appeared.

Uruguay.—The 5c. is again blue, (cc 42) 7c. orange, 20c. brown, 25c. vermilion, and there is another new 10c. lilac. with arms in the centre and "Republica Oriental" in a curve above. Figures of value are at the sides, and "Uruguay—10—centimos" below in three lines.

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* We have also seen the current 5c. printed in deep blue.

NOVA SCOTIA PHILATELIC ASSOCIATION.

Meeting March 13th, 1888.

CALLED to order at 8.30 p.m., by President Crane. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Members present: Messrs. Crane, Kaye, Hechler, A. E. Smith, Theo. Larsen, E. A. Smith, J. W. Caldwell, Hart, Mathers and King. By an oversight last month two members were left out,—Messrs. C. A. Curry, Morris St.: Olof Larsen, Lockman St., and Mr. E. A. Smith's address should read 52 Robie St., instead of Spring Garden Road.

The matter of our joining the C. P. A. as a branch society was discussed, and after some consideration it was decided that we should join. This being passed made Mr. Craig, V. P., for N. S., president of our Society, and Mr. Crane then resigned his seat as president of the meeting. It was then moved by King, seconded by Mr. E. A. Smith, that Mr. Crane should be elected Vice-President of our Society,—carried unanimously. Mr. Crane moved that Mr. F. C. Kaye be appointed Exchange Superintendent of our Society, seconded by Mr. Coldwell. Carried.

Here was then considerable discussion as to choice of Approval Sheets. Mr. Larsen moved, seconded by Mr. A Smith, that the Exchange Superintendent should have first choice always, and after him the members, one being dropped for every new book. Carried.

Mr. Hechler moved, seconded by Mr. Larsen, that we should have two meetings every month, this was agreed to and the second and fourth Mondays of every month decided on. Carried.

This ended the business for the meeting, but a number of new issues, varieties, etc., were shown by Messrs. Hechler, Hart, Mathers, E. A. Smith, Kaye and King..

Meeting adjourned at 10.30.

Donald A. King, *Secretary.*

Meeting March 26th, 1888.

Meeting called to order at 8 30. As V. P. Crane was absent, Mr. F. C. Kaye was appointed chairman. Members present were Messrs. Kaye, A. E. Smith, Hart, Shannon, O. Larsen, T. Larsen, Gass, Mathers, Curry, E. A. Smith, Hechler and King.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. A number of members who wanted exchange sheets and envelopes from the C. P. A. were then supplied by the Exchange Superintendent. Letters were read from Lieut.-Governor Richey, declining to be Honorable Patron of the Society on account of the near expiration of his term of office. Letter from H. W. Blackadar, Esq., Postmaster of Halifax, accepting the Hon. Patronship of the Society. An informal discussion was then held as to the collecting of fiscal stamps postally used. It was decided to bring the matter up for further discussion at the next meeting.

This closed the business of the evening, and the meeting then adjourned at 10.30.

D. A. King, *Sec'y.*

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(The writer of the Ex. Notice forgot to sign his name.)

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Donald A. King,
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